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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Tsuruta et al.  
Serial Number: 10/725,943  
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Group Art Unit: 3618  
Examiner: C. F. Collado  
Confirmation Number: 4465  
Title: Supplemental Air Cleaner For An All-Terrain Vehicle,  
And All-Terrain Vehicle Incorporating Same

**LETTER OF RECORD**  
**REGARDING THE INCORRECT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**  
**OF RECEIPT OF THE CERTIFIED PRIORITY DOCUMENT COPY**  
**IN THE PROSECUTION HISTORY AND IN THE NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY**

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Sir:

Applicant wishes hereby to clarify the following discrepancies noted in the prosecution history and on the Notice Of Allowability dated 24 July 2006 for the referenced case:

Applicant claims Convention priority under 35 USC §119 from Japan Patent Application 2002-352435 (filed 04 December 2002). There is no corresponding application through the International Bureau, and USSN 10/725,943 is not a U.S. national phase application of any such international application. Applicant filed a certified copy of Japan Patent Application 2002-352435 with the United States Patent And Trademark Office concurrently with the filing of the referenced application on 02 December 2003.

First discrepancy: The Office Action dated 03 February 2006 indicates that "some" certified copies of the priority documents were received. There being only one priority claim from one prior foreign application, this acknowledgement does not make sense. If one certified priority document copy was received, then "all" one certified priority document copy was received.

Second discrepancy: The Office Action dated 19 April 2006 also indicates that "some" certified copies of the priority documents were received. Again, there being only one priority claim

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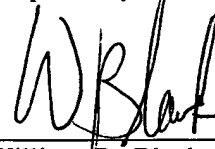
Third discrepancy: The Notice Of Allowability dated 24 July 2006 indicates that the certified priority document copies were received from the International Bureau. There having been no international application, this acknowledgement does not make sense either. The Notice Of Allowability should indicate that "all"certified copies of the priority documents were received, but not that any were received from the International Bureau.

Applicant has filed the required certified priority document copy in support of its claim for Convention Priority under 35 USC §119.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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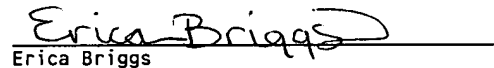
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